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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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8 ROBERT CLARK BARKINS, No. C-11-06398 JCS

9 Plaintiff, **ORDER DISMISSING ACTION WITH  
10 PREJUDICE**

11 v.  
12 LANEY COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID,

13 Defendants.

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15 Plaintiff Robert Clark Barkins filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*  
16 (“Application”) in the above-captioned matter. He has consented to the jurisdiction of a United  
17 States magistrate judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c). The Court granted the Application but  
18 dismissed the Complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e) on the basis that it could discern no  
19 cognizable federal claim. In particular, the court stated as follows:

20 The brief factual allegations in Plaintiff’s complaint, to the extent they are legible, suggest  
21 that Plaintiff’s action is based on Defendant’s denial of an application for financial aid  
22 “because [Plaintiff] didn’t pass [sic] the test.” . . . However, Plaintiff has not identified  
any legal grounds upon which the denial might be actionable in federal court.

23 January 5, 2012 Order [docket no. 6]. Plaintiff was given thirty days in which to amend his  
24 complaint.

25 On January 19, 2012, Plaintiff submitted a letter to the Court (filed on January 20, 2012).  
26 The letter is not entirely legible but appears to state as follows: “Laney have student taking Wonder  
27 Test and was [illegible] Wonderlic A+B Program. I didn’t pass the test But I was eligible For a  
28 Federal Pell Grant of up to 5550.” January 19, 2012 Letter [docket no. 7].

1 To the extent Plaintiff's letter is offered as an amended complaint, Plaintiff has failed to  
2 remedy the deficiency identified in the Court's January 5, 2012 Order. Specifically, the Court can  
3 discern no legally cognizable claim. Accordingly, this action is dismissed with prejudice. The Clerk  
4 is instructed to close the file in this case.

5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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7 DATED: February 13, 2012

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JOSEPH C. SPERO  
United States Magistrate Judge